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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:
K. Matsutani, et al.

Serial No.: 09/939,579

Art Unit: 3731

Filed: August 28, 2001

Examiner: D. Davis

For: Ophthalmologic Knife

NOTIFICATION OF LOSS OF ENTITLEMENT TO SMALL ENTITY STATUS

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to MPEP 509.03 and 37 CFR 1.27, Applicants hereby provides notice of the applicants' loss of entitlement to small entity status.

A Notice of Allowance and Fees Due in the above-entitled application was mailed on February 9, 2005. The Notice of Allowance reflects the applicants to be entitled to a small-entity status. The undersigned has been notified that the applicants are no longer entitled to the small-entity status and hereby provides notification thereof pursuant to 37 CFR 1.27 and MPEP 509.03(g) (2). Consequently, applicants will pay the issue fee of a large entity at the time of paying the Issue Transmittal which is due on May 9, 2005.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this Notification Of Loss Of Entitlement To Small Entity Status in Docket No. NAK-059-USA-P, Serial No. 09/939,579, filed August 28, 2001, was deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to:

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On April 29, 2005.

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